

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Electronics & Information Technology Department – Providing Hardware, Connectivity and Technical support for convening the meeting of the Council of Ministers – Purchase of Hardware — Sanctioned – Orders issued

**ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(IT CELL)
DEPARTMENT**

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Read Note No.342/SC1/2020/GA(SC) dated 27/07/2020 from the Chief Secretary.

ORDER

During the online session of the Council of Ministers held through Video Conferencing on 27/07/2020, some of the Ministers who joined the session from the Chief Minister's Committee room experienced certain difficulties to discuss the matters due to audio -video failures.

2. In order to conduct the online meeting of the Council of Ministers smoothly, Chief Secretary, as per the note read above has ordered to supply Laptops with required specification and provide good connectivity for enabling Video Conferencing facility to all Ministers.

3. Government have examined the matter and are pleased to order as follows with regard to the smooth conduct of online meeting of the Council of Ministers.

- i. 21 units of High End Laptops(Intel Core i5 8265U with 4MB cache,8GB DDR4 RAM,2GB Graphic card,512 GB SSD,14 inch display,Windows 10 Pro, 3yrs Warranty) shall be procured from CPRCS for serving to the office of the Chief Minister, Ministers and Chief Secretary.
- ii. Since the delivery of hardware are delayed due to the Covid- 19 lockdown and assorted restrictions in force, procurement of Laptops through CPRCS would take some time . In view of the urgent need in the Office of the Ministers, medium- end laptops available in

SecWAN stock, shall be provided temporarily as per the requirement.

- iii. The Tourism Department shall provide High Speed Internet connectivity to the official residence of all Ministers and Chief Secretary as per the requirement, in consultation with KSITM, for the smooth conduct of the VC. KSITM shall extend the technical support and co-ordinate the same with Tourism Department.
- iv. Following Duties and responsibilities are assigned with Director, KSITM with immediate effect.
 - a. *Director, KSITM is appointed as the Nodal Officer for setting up and management of the Video Conferencing facilities for the smooth conduct of online meeting of the Council of Ministers.*
 - b. *Director, KSITM shall ensure the availability of sufficient hardware and connectivity to all the members of the Council and the Chief Secretary.*
 - c. *Director, KSITM shall personally ensure the arrangements for smooth conduct of Video Conferences of the Chief Minister including Cabinet meetings.*
 - d. *Director, KSITM shall also ensure the arrangements for VC at the Office of Ministers in Secretariat, their official residences and also at the District Headquarters wherever necessary with the technical assistance of NIC.*
 - e. *Director, KSITM shall ensure the VC arrangements during the previous day of the Cabinet meeting and should certify that all the necessary Hardware, Software and connectivity at the locations from which the Ministers and Chief Secretary join, are well maintained for the conduct of online Cabinet meetings.*
 - f. *In case of any shortage of Hardware for conducting a session, E & IT Dept should provide items available in stock temporarily.*
 - g. *KSITM technical support team shall provide necessary training to the designated officials in the office of Ministers and to the Secretaries in charge of the department regarding all the technical aspects for the conduct of online meetings through VC.*
 - h. *4G dongles wherever necessary shall be supplied by Government based on the Technical evaluation done by KSITM.*
 - i. *Director, KSITM shall onboard the technical team wherever necessary, to sort out if any technical issue arises and to ensure for the smooth conduct of online meeting without any hindrance .*

(By order of the Governor)

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ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

To:

The PS to Hon'ble Chief Minister and all Ministers.

The Chief Secretary and all Secretaries.

The Director, KSITM, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Director of Tourism, Thiruvananthapuram.

The MD, KELTRON, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Prl. Accountant General(Audit), Kerala,Thiruvananthapuram.


The Accountant General(A&E), Kerala,Thiruvananthapuram.

The Tourism Department, Govt. Secretariat.

The I & PRD, Web & New Media,Govt. Secretariat.

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